

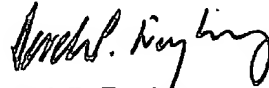
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Claims reading on the elected species are claims 1-8, 17-20, 23, and 24.

This election of species is made without traverse; it being understood, though, that should claims reading on the elected species be allowable, the search and examination will be extended to other species within the Markush group of claims 1 and 6, in accordance with MPEP 809 *et seq.*

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